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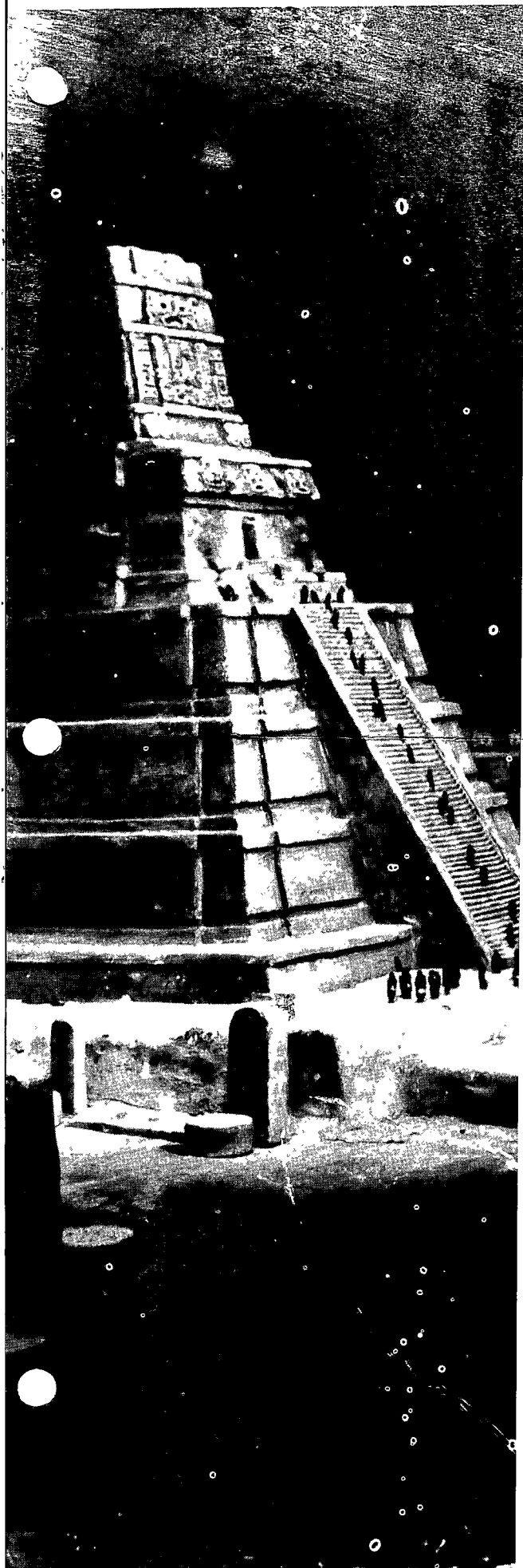
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The Ancient Mayan City of Tikal

One of the oldest of Mayan cities, uncovered so far, is the ancient holy city of Tikal. Through the centuries, the jungle has wreaked havoc with this great ceremonial center, so that little remains now but the architecture to show the achievements of its Mayan builders.

The largest structure at the left of the picture is the great Temple II of Tikal. This and the other structures of this ancient Guatemalan city will be described in detail later.

This truly great and dramatic photographic study is by Charles E. Simmons. The reconstruction, a masterpiece resulting from years of research and careful scientific measurement, was made by Herbert Maier, aided by H. Marchand and H. B. Wright, for the Buffalo Museum of Science.

REALIZING THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN
OR
THE CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW WORLD LIFE

MAYAN
REVELATION

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MONOGRAPH FIVE

of a Series of Seven

DEALING WITH

COSMIC LAW

INTERPRETED BY THE MODERN MAYAN ORDER

THE LAW OF ATTAINMENT

*which is the Fifth Law of Life, and Your Fourth Lesson as
MAYAN CENTURION. The Heart of it all can be Summed
Up for All to Gain By . . . Therefore Give the Law to
Others . . . It is, "Give and Ye Shall Receive."*

Beloved Mayan Centurion:

This Lecture is our Salute to You, and comes to you from my hand and pen, carrying the love and greetings of all your Mayan Officers and workers in the various departments of Mayanry here at Headquarters, as well as the good thoughts and prayers of your countless Beloved Companions of all Degrees of Mayanry everywhere.

That you devote part of your daily prayer-time to all your Companions in Mayanry, we know and appreciate greatly. For you are of the Trusted Order of Tried and True as well as a Greatly Beloved Companion.

Beyond the Frontispiece of this Lecture, we prefer that none but yourself shall read; that only Mayans of your self-same status and degrees shall see. You will thus protect the Mayan writing we know. But we do wish you to share these good thoughts with others; - in your own words. By giving your own words to these thoughts you are growing, you are creating, and you are Developing. The more such giving you do, the more riches of knowing you will possess. Let us therefore proceed to

THE ONWARD LOOK AND THE UPWARD WAY

A peaceful and happy people should be progressive, and each individual has

a right to his reasonable and proper ambitions. But unless individual members are ambitious to do well and succeed in their work the life of The Mayan Order will stagnate with them. The Kingdom of Heaven is not a "do nothing place" putting its emphasis on negative ways and values. Its people get ON. They are ambitious to succeed, and they DO succeed.

One who has no interest in the future and does not care to better himself in any way is not quite ready for the Mayan Kingdom life. He needs to be alerted to the needs of the world and the possibilities of his own life, and when he is, ... he will want to realize those possibilities. People who have ceased to care or have never learned to care need an awakening of interest, for the Kingdom life is vibrant and vital. In it just any status does not satisfy. Its people want to fill a real place in the world, and they want that place to be WORTH filling.

The Master Himself early chose a great ambition and never swerved from it. It was nothing less than to change the life of the human race from negative channels to positive ones, to set it going on the road to true freedom and fulfillment, and to set in motion the forces that would carry mankind to its truest happiness and good. That is an ambition that no other has approached in scope and complexity. Man could not reach the status of which He dreamed in just any way. It had to be the right way, HENCE THIS KINGDOM MANIFESTO.

THE HIGHER AMBITION

One of Shakespeare's plays speaks of the "vaulting ambition which o'erleaps itself." Such ambition has led many to crime, failure, and ruin. Ambition in the Kingdom is not to "take", but to "GIVE", not to conquer but to HELP, not to HAVE but to BE.

The Master was young, eager, and idealistic; so must we be. Those who are no longer young in years can at least be young in spirit and outlook. People of any age can be eager and idealistic, believing in themselves, in others, in the future, and in God. To catch the spirit of the Kingdom life is the most invigorating of all tonics. Renewing life of the soul as it does; - it helps to keep body and mind healthy and strong.

The trouble with the ordinary worldly type of ambition is that to attain his desires one must struggle, scheme, scramble, and push others out of the way. Such people say that you must "look out for yourself, for no one is going to look out for you." That is NOT true. There are those who will look out for you. God will, life will, and even the whole universe will IF you keep yourself in line with the divine purpose and the way open for God's love and POWER to work for YOU. It was said that the stars in their courses fought against Sisera, who was "out of line" with the divine purpose. The stars in their courses will fight for you, IF you will keep yourself in harmony with the great plan of which they ALSO are a part.

In the Sermon on the Mount, the Founder of the new world order states the law of progress and success in three simple provisions which are not merely to be known and recited, but are to be USED as principles of progress and attainment in life. They are: "ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you". Meditate upon them much, and deeply, so you can begin to apply them actively and practically. Let us consider them briefly now.

ASK AND YE SHALL RECEIVE!

We must always keep in mind the fact that God is our Father, and to understand his attitude and ways we must think of them in terms of fatherhood at its best. Begin by thinking of the best human parent you ever knew, then multiply that parent's love, care, and goodness by infinity. That will give you just the beginning of an idea of the kind of place each of us has in the heart of God.

Some claim that they do not see the goodness of God. They say no particular beneficence has ever been manifested toward them. It has been repeatedly; - but they have been blind to it. What of life and breath, friends and loved ones, home and comfort, a job and a thousand things UNNOTICED and yet necessary? These are given to many who have not tried to be worthy and who have not even asked them.

But, someone may say, no special mercy has ever been shown him, or perhaps that he has wanted something that "seemed good to him" and so far has not received it. Has he asked for it? No! - he says he has been told that "God knows what we need before we ask Him." Why ask Him then?

My child; even the best of earthly fathers does not force good things on children who will not talk to him. If they never talk over their needs and desires with their father there is something lacking in the receptiveness of their attitude, and it tends to block the way for the father to do for them even what he would like to do. Then if they live lives of lack, it is their own fault. People who do that develop ingrown souls from having failed to express themselves freely and keep a clear understanding with the one who is the source of their supply. It is the same in our dealings with God.

No one need fear or hesitate about taking up God's time with such matters. He has all the time there is. The busiest good father loves to take time out to talk with the children, and you may be sure that is true of the perfect Father.

Some say they have asked for this or that, and have not received it. They should not be resentful but THANKFUL, for if they asked in the right spirit for something and did not receive it, that is either because it was not for them or because the time has not yet come. PERHAPS what they asked for would have done them great harm. If an unknowing child asks for a bottle of poison just because it thinks the label is pretty, does a good father give it to him? If he asks for something and the father does not give him that, but gives him something better, is THAT any reason for saying that the father has paid no heed to his requests?

There is more than one way of asking. The usual way is through prayer, but there are different ways of praying, too. Some request what they want as though they think to change the will of God to suit their own. The MASTERS in prayer do not try to bring God's will into harmony with theirs, but try to bring their wills into harmony with His ... Did the Master get His request when He asked in the garden that the cup of sacrifice might pass from Him? ... No, and He did not expect to ... "Thy will, not mine, be done", He has said, and meant it. It was harder just then, but in the long run it was best.

Praying in the right spirit keeps us in the right attitude. It keeps us in

line to receive God's blessings. Unless we were on SPEAKING TERMS with the heavenly Father we would hardly expect to receive His special blessings; ... and praying in the right spirit keeps us on speaking terms.

We must also consider the action phase of the matter of prayer. Often one has to do something to help, ... but do not get the idea that you can answer your own prayers. If you could do that, what would be the use of praying? Prayer is our way of GETTING the blessings that lie beyond the reach of our own powers. The RIGHT way is to talk the problem and the need over with God, then watch for His guidance and BE READY to do anything it is made clear to us we should do to HELP ACTUALIZE THE DESIRED CONDITION. God will not travel a road for you, but He will OPEN it so YOU can travel it. Do your part, but only as He shows you what your part is. Do not run before Him. You will throw the whole process into confusion if you do.

Keep your asking calm and confident. "Ask in faith", and then leave the whole matter in the Father's hands. To tease about it will do no good. If it is the divine will, and if you have made a sincere and earnest approach, you have only to wait and follow any leading that comes to you. If you keep the matter charged with faith you may expect results of some kind, and they will be right. It is faith that primes the pump, turns the power into the motor, throws the machinery into gear. Make your asking a pattern of what is to become. Ask, believing; as though your request were already granted. It IS granted on the spiritual plane, you know. You are just trying to get the spiritual pattern EXPRESSED in MATERIAL form.

You do not get the favors of a corporation or a government unless you file an application. You do not get the favors of a friend unless you share with him the secret of your desire. How often someone says, "Why didn't you let me know long ago? I would have been so glad to do it for you." Perhaps the still, small voice of God sometimes whispers that within us. What can one rightfully expect from the court of heaven if he has no application on file, or if the application on file is not drawn up in the right way? But we know that in the court of heaven NO good thing is denied if it is RIGHTLY asked for, and if there is not some good REASON for withholding it.

Before you start asking for anything at the throne of grace consider the matter carefully. Make up your mind what you REALLY WANT. It is easy to make a mistake about that. People sometimes pray for things they would not know what to do with if they had them, and for things they would soon want taken away from them. What DO YOU want? What do you want to do? Where do YOU want to arrive? What kind of person do YOU want to be? Think these things over CAREFULLY and TRY to be sure.

In this consideration do not be swayed by passing feelings, or by personal admiration of someone else, or a mistaken idea that something is easy to get and desirable to have. 1. - Study your feelings and desires. 2. - Analyze and test them. 3. - Think them through in a practical way. (See if certain great compulsions do not fasten themselves on and refuse to be put aside). They may be the divine voice calling you and telling you what to do. Consider them very carefully.

When you have made up your mind talk it over with God. Express what you believe to be your just, honest, and rightful desires. Ask the Father to give them to you, if they are wise, and if they are His will; but always ask that His will and

not merely yours shall be done.

You thus ally yourself with the greatest power in the world. The very Power of CREATION itself! You can be sure of that power and of the Father's wish to give good things to all who ask Him. How much better that is than depending on crooked scheming and brute force. How much better it is than to fight and destroy for what you think you want, perhaps only to find that you were mistaken about wanting it after all.

SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND

We have all seen people accomplish the seemingly impossible and reach goals that looked impossible to attain. These things were NOT done by accident. The people who accomplished them were people who wanted them VERY much, and were spurred by that DESIRE to keep seeking till they were found. They looked for the right road to the fulfillment they wanted, and kept looking till they found it.

There is a road to every good thing, and one will find it if he seeks long enough. He will not find it if he fails to seek, or if he becomes discouraged and gives up too soon. A parable might be told of a man who sought for the fulfillment of a great desire, and looked in ninety-nine places for the path. Tired and discouraged he then gave up the search, when if he had looked in the hundredth place he would have found it. Undoubtedly, something like that happens again and again.

Finding the road to your heart's desire may require labor, and may sometimes even require waiting, and even sacrifice. It is sure to call for much faith. When once found the road may be a very easy one, but it is hardly ever easy to find it, though always possible. If there is no road, then God will help YOU make one if you will enter into partnership with Him in the enterprise.

A young man felt a deep wish that he might occupy a certain position. He knew he was too young and not well enough prepared to occupy it, but he wished it anyway. He told no one, and of course made no effort to seek the position because he knew he would not be considered eligible. Besides, he believed in God and already knew better than to get in God's way about things.

As the years passed that desire never left the young man's heart. He thought often of that position. He measured the excellence of other jobs by comparing them with it. He often imagined that he was occupying it and carrying on its work. He found himself doing his work AS THOUGH HE WERE in that position, and the thought stimulated him to do his best even in smaller positions. This won him a good record and several promotions. Still he did not suppose he would ever be in the place he secretly desired.

He was called to a traveling position. Undoubtedly that would take him farther away than ever. But even if it took him out of line for that position, he took up the work as what seemed to be his, leading up to that time. In the traveling work he added to his good record and became more widely known. His work was pleasant, and it had begun to look as though his future was to follow another line of development, so he had almost stopped thinking about the place he had so long

wished he might fill.

One day in a distant city a telegram was put in his hands. It said the man who had for several years occupied the place he had so long wished for was leaving, and would he care to take it? It was like a bolt out of the blue. He had almost ceased to think about it, and his old desire had become only a memory. But here it was, after ten years. He accepted the invitation and made the greatest success of his life in it.

What had happened? Something in the inner nature of things. Wherever he had gone and whatever he had been doing, something within him had kept seeking, even when he had ceased thinking of it very often; and finally God had honored the quest. It came through about as soon as it could or should have done, for after the ten years had passed he was just about READY to succeed in the place. If the call had come any sooner he would very likely have failed. In this case he did not turn a hand to get the place, or breathe a word to anyone about it. THE POWER OF GOD ALONE SAW TO IT.

Not all roads are alike or to be found in the same way, but ONE THING can be truly said of ALL worthy ambitions - that one CANNOT make a mistake in trying ALWAYS to make himself worthy and fit for the thing he desires. Then if it turns out that the thing he wants is not for him, HE IS AHEAD ANYWAY. He is better prepared for whatever is for him, which may be something better than he ever dreamed. WHAT GOD SEEKS FOR US IS ALWAYS THE RIGHT THING.

The way to find the right road of fulfillment is not to rush about feverishly looking here and there like a lost person. That is a good way never to find it. The best way is to go right ahead with the present duty. Do it as well as you can, for the practice and training will always stand you well in hand. Keep your eyes, mind and heart open. Wait, watch, and never neglect what seems to be YOUR GUIDANCE. Think of the pillar of cloud that went before the Israelites in the wilderness by day and the pillar of fire that led them by night. Look for your guiding signs and follow them. YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT DAY OR HOUR YOU WILL COME OUT OF THE WILDERNESS AND LOOK UPON YOUR PROMISED LAND.

When you find your way in that manner you can be reasonably sure that you have found the right one. People who seek things by influence and intrigue or get them by force often find they are not what they thought they were and discard them or wish they could. If one succeeds in getting something by the ordinary way and fails in it the reproach is on him. If he works with God and lets God lead him into his place, God takes the responsibility. The one who has been thus blessed KNOWS it is for him BECAUSE he was led into it, and the PROBABILITIES ARE THAT HE WILL SUCCEED.

God is always trying to guide us toward our good, but sometimes we are not very manageable about following His guidance. Either we do not feel the pressure of His hand, or we want to choose our OWN way and refuse to go where He leads us. (Thus we often lose the best in life). Ruskin spoke wisely when he said he did not wonder at what men suffer, but he wondered often at what they missed. Human beings lose much, to be sure, and THIS IS OFTEN THE WAY THEY LOSE IT.

A certain man returned from a trip that had been a very lovely experience.

He said, "I wonder why I did not take that trip long before. I always wanted to do it, but just never realized that I could. When I made up my mind to do it I found it easy enough." How much is missed in this world by people who have URGES and WISHES in their hearts, but go through the years never realizing that they COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM IF THEY WOULD. They seek a road, and find it, then never travel on it. THEY DO NOT MISS THEIR GOAL; THEY JUST DO NOT GO TOWARD IT.

A country boy felt a deep inner compulsion that he should go to school and prepare himself for some special usefulness in the world. He did not know what that service was, but he knew it would be revealed in time. The good schools were some distance away. He had no means. There was nowhere to look for financial help. His family and friends discouraged him. The struggle was hard, but he worked his way through to good preparation. God had a place waiting for him, and he did well. One day a younger man said to him: "I would like to go to school, but I have no means or influential friends. I couldn't make it easily, as you probably did."

One had found the road, and the OTHER was trying to EXCUSE himself for NOT TRYING. That is the way the great discoveries and inventions are made. It was easy to produce light from a current passed through material in a vacuum globe when the right materials and combination had been found, but Edison had worked long and patiently to discover them. The story of the lives of such men IS ONE OF SEEKING RIGHT ROADS TILL THEY ARE FOUND.

KNOCK AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU

Sometimes we feel like people going down long hallways with closed doors on either side. No sound comes from within, and not a portal is ajar. Lettering on these doors indicates that desired realizations are just on the other side of them - friends, peace, happiness, success, usefulness, honor, and all the rest. Unfortunately, some of us assume that these blessings are not really there, or that the doors are locked, or that we would be turned away. We just go on wishing, when THE DOORS WOULD BE GLADLY OPENED TO US IF WE WOULD ONLY KNOCK.

Being a son of God permits more privilege than that. To assume that the door is closed and locked between us and our good shows lack of faith again, and it is faith that wins. We realize that when we see someone who has confidence in God knock at a closed door and be gladly admitted. IT MIGHT JUST AS WELL HAVE BEEN OURSELVES.

Nothing is too good for one of God's children. Those who find their good are no better than you. They just had the COURAGE to knock at the door. The universe and every good thing in it were made for YOU and people like you. The banquet was spread for YOU as much as for anyone, but you will never be served if you do not hold out your plate. If now and then you do find a door closed against you, do not worry. It was not the right door for you to open anyway, and you are fortunate that you did not get through. Anything worth your having is available, and anything not worth your having you do not want anyway. Why should it be necessary to knock? Why should doors be shut in the first place? To challenge us, of course. We should make SOME EFFORT OURSELVES, shouldn't we?

A certain man you probably know was ambitious for anything that would mean advancement to him. He did not want merely what God had for him; he was ready to

take anything. He worked for years trying to advance in some way, or any way. "He certainly seems to believe that if he knocks the door will be opened to him", said an acquaintance. "Yes," replied another, "but the trouble is that he knocks on doors till he wears the panels out." God is not deaf. He knows when a matter is referred to Him. Select your door, knock on it, and then give God TIME to open it or a BETTER one.

We have to remember that a door leads to something. It leads into another room, and perhaps ultimately to another door or more than one. Don't knock at one of God's doors just for the ADVENTURE of crossing the threshold. Be prepared to MEET THAT TO WHICH IT ADMITS YOU when it opens and to make the BEST of what is there. People sometimes enjoy the thrill of SEEKING a privilege and the greater thrill of getting it, then do not rise to the occasion WHEN THEY DO get it. Others do rise to the occasion, then get tired of maintaining that level and become victims of sagging morale. Before YOU knock on a DOOR OF DESTINY consider whether you can and are WILLING to meet the responsibility involved and to CONTINUE to do so. If you are unable or unwilling to do that it is better not to enter. Places of high privilege are seldom easy. Notice that the prayer the Master taught us asks only for the simple things, the things that bring happiness but add no care. The doors to wholesome living, happy relationships, and true usefulness are the BEST ones at which to knock. Both are found in The Mayan Way of Life and YOU MAY CHOOSE AND RECEIVE, EITHER OR BOTH, AS YOU PROCEED IN YOUR MAYAN STUDIES.

The New Testament has a parable about a man who went to a wedding without appropriate attire for the occasion, but he was not admitted. The meaning is that he KNOCKED at a door without PREPARING HIMSELF for what was on the other side of it. Many people seek the PRIVILEGES and ADVANCEMENTS OF LIFE without proper preparation. FIT yourself for the door YOU want to enter. That, in fact, IS one way of knocking; for of course the knockings the Master speaks of are really the KNOCKINGS of mental and spiritual effort on the DOORS of CIRCUMSTANCE and DESTINY.

One good way to knock on a door of fate is by CONSTRUCTIVE MEDITATION. You put your consecrated and considered DESIRE into the form of an AFFIRMATION THAT YOU HAVE IT. Then you repeat it in meditation before God EVERY day. In time, it forms a pattern somewhere deep in the silences, and then the CREATIVE POWERS WITHIN YOU join forces with the Creator Himself to FILL IN that pattern and make it REAL. Jesus said we are to pray for things, BELIEVING that we have them. This is a way to do it. Amazing results have been obtained in this manner, for conscious affirmation seems to RECORD A DESIRE and make it a blueprint for REALIZATION.

Remember that you cannot force the doors of destiny. They will yield to your touch if it is rightly applied, but not even a battering ram could break them in. Their hinges are easy, but the latches are firm. COME IN THE RIGHT SPIRIT AND THE RIGHT WAY IF YOU WOULD FIND A WELCOME.

This is also true of the DOORS OF CIRCUMSTANCE as well as of THOSE OF DESTINY. In other words, it is as true of lesser things as it is of greater ones. DO NOT HESITATE to knock at the door for favors you need in your daily life and relationships. IN THE SMALLEST THINGS LIFE WILL RESPOND TO THE TOUCH OF FAITH.

So PLAN your way reverently and wisely, then find the door that opens on its fulfillment; and KNOCK. Membership in the Kingdom of Heaven carries THAT secret and privilege. It is ancient, but it NEVER wears out. It is simple, but it is effective. The Kingdom of Heaven is not one of frustration and limitation, BUT ONE OF ADVANCEMENT AND FREEDOM.

Let the Gifts, Blessings, Flow In, Richly Evermore.

Bless You,

Your Class Instructor
In the Second Century

Postscript to you personally: Did you enjoy the rich thoughts in your mind as you read this Mayan Lecture Lesson? Did it help you? Would you like to share it with another? Do you know someone READY to receive such helpful guides to Thinking? There are keys in this lesson basic to Mayanry, as you probably recognize. Yet, they are so concealed that any non-Initiate would not find them. Therefore, it would seem that only good could result, if you desired to allow another to read all the pages of this Mayan Lecture Lesson. If this is your wish, do this, that the rules of The Mayan Order will be kept: Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to your Mayan Headquarters, along with a note stating your desire, and the reason you wish this person to read the entire lesson. Give the name and address of the person you wish to permit to read this lesson of Higher Degrees. He will be registered here as a "Recipient", and your prayers and our prayers will include him, or her. If that person seems to you to be ready to receive more, let us know. If not ready, nothing will be forced by you or us. If worthy, however, you will have advanced the Glory of The Mayans again, and helped a friend. May the Great Spirit aid you in your work.

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